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In re the application of: **DANIELE et al.**

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Dear Sir:

In Response to the Notice of Incomplete Non-Provisional Application mailed May 10, 2001, enclosed are the following:

- 1. Executed Declaration of the Inventors;
- 2. Copy of the Notice of Incomplete Non-Provisional Application;
- 3. Request for a one-month extension of time for a small entity;
- 4. Check for the one-month extension fee of \$55.00 and the surcharge for late filing of the declaration of \$65.00, totaling \$120.00;
- 5. Preliminary Amendment (and Petition in the Alternative); and
- 6. Certificate of Mailing by First Class Mail for all documents.

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In review of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the application receive an Official Filing Receipt and be forwarded for examination on merits.

If there are any issues remaining which can be resolved by a telephone call to the undersigned attorney, Patent Office personnel are respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated herein. The undersigned would like to resolve this matter as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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A filing date has NOT been accorded to the above-identified application papers for the reason(s) indicated below.

All of the items noted below and a newly executed oath or declaration covering the items must be submitted within TWO MONTHS of the date of this Notice, unless otherwise indicated, or proceedings on the application will be terminated (37 CFR 1.53(e)).

The filing date will be the date of receipt of all items required below, unless otherwise indicated. Any assertions that the item(s) required below were submitted, or are not necessary for a filing date, must be by way of petition directed to the attention of the Office of Petitions accompanied by the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)). If the petition states that the application is entitled to a filing date, a request for a refund of the petition fee may be included in the petition.

• The application was deposited without drawings. 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence) requires a drawing "where necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented." Applicant should reconsider whether the drawings are necessary under 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence).

The required items noted below SHOULD be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this nonprovisional application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

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